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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Toshiharu KUWAOKA

Serial No. 09/986,369

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS  
FOR PROCESSING DIGITAL  
AUDIO SIGNAL

Art Unit: 2644

Examiner: Flanders, Andrew C.

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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following is a response to the Office Action dated June 30, 2005. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Cancel claims 7, 8 and 12.

Amend claims 4, 5 and 6.